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ANTI-GAMBLING BILL REPORTED

Judiciary Committee Returns Measure With Amendments

Bridge Whist, Solo, Whist and All Card Games Where Prizes are Offered Placed Under the Ban---To go Into Effect October 1st 1910.

(By Associated Press.)

CARSON, March 11.—Senator Tallman this morning asked that the bill dividing Nye county and creating the new county of Bullfrog be taken from the table. Senator Kendall objected, but the motion prevailed and the bill went to the judiciary committee, where it will be remodelled and amended so that Nye county will vote on the issue at the next general election.

The bill providing for a new state prison was considered by the senate committee of the whole and was recommended back with a few amendments.

The assembly put in the entire morning on the direct primary bill, which passed without a dissenting vote. The committee having in charge the new police bill reported it back favorably.

The investigation of the bank commission started last evening with Senator Boyd in the chair. Secretary of State Douglass was the first witness. He recited the story of the bank troubles and appointment of the bank examiner. His testimony brought out the fact that at the time of the closing of the State Bank and Trust company, the state of Nevada had \$23,000 deposited. This amount was made good by Douglass. State Treasurer Ryan followed, giving practically the same testimony. Senator Boyd shifted the matter down by remarking that "the investigation is to show if the bank commissioners have been derelict in their duty. If so they must be censured, and if not, the state must know it." He refused to consider the causes of the failure and confines the investigation to the action of the bank commissioners, Ryan and Douglass. Both admitted they did not consider Bank Examiner Miller's report worthy of any attention in spite of the fact that he had declared the institution to be insolvent. Receiver Wildes will make a report Friday when the investigation will be resumed.

The senate this afternoon passed the amended form of the railroad commission law. The law now goes to the governor for his signature. The bill gives the commission the right to regulate fares and freights "reasonably," and does away with the objectionable maximum rate that was lately decided in favor of the commission. Despite the fact that railroad officials from six different roads are in this city today, the bill passed without an amendment or dissenting vote.

The anti-gambling bill was reported late today from the judiciary committee. The bill carries several amendments, the first of which is to prohibit bridge whist, poker, bluff, whist or any card game where moneys, trophies or prizes or anything of value is up for the result. The second amendment reduces the fines for the violation from \$1000 to \$500. The amendment that is causing the most comment from the anti-gambling element is that of extending the time when the law shall go into effect. Under the senate amendment the law will be operative on October 1, 1910 in stead of January 1. On motion of Senator Tallman the bill was made the special order for Monday afternoon. The result of the committee work is considered a victory for the gamblers, and it is generally stated the anti-gambling force are shy on votes, and consequently the amendments will pass, thus sending the bill back to the assembly for action. Many of the members of both houses are anxious to put the matter before the people for a vote, the election to be held in November, one month after the law goes into effect, as the referendum is operative in Nevada. As the matter now stands it is no longer a party measure as the Republicans in both houses are divided on the question. Also the Democrats, and what party benefit that was to be derived from the law is killed by the action of the judiciary committee of the senate. The bill creating the codifying commission to be composed of three supreme judges that passed the senate went through the house this afternoon. After the bill had passed a notice of reconsideration was given. The police bill comes up tomorrow.

LOS ANGELES MAYOR DRAWS OUT OF RACE

Mayor A. C. Harper Tenders His Resignation from Office and Withdraws as a Candidate.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, March 11.—Mayor A. C. Harper tonight resigned as mayor of this city, and also withdrew as a candidate to succeed himself in the recall election to be held March 26. The resignation and withdrawal came as a complete surprise, following as it did in the heat of the campaign. It follows closely the resignation of Edward Kern as a member of the board of public works, whose appointment by Harper to the position was given by his political opponents as one of the principal causes for the recall election.

For several months two of the leading newspapers of the city have been publishing articles intended to prove that the mayor permitted vice of all kinds to be protected here and that his own official and private acts

have not been above reproach. His resignation and withdrawal was presented to the city clerk late this afternoon. At the same time there appeared a letter from the mayor to the manager of an afternoon newspaper, in which he stated he withdrew his name because it was demanded. In the explanation of the action in making the demand for the withdrawal upon the mayor the paper asserts: "The reasons that it has taken this drastic action are unpublishable," and did so in order to safeguard the people of Los Angeles in the approaching election, after searching Mayor Harper's official and private record.

Harper was elected on the Democratic ticket in a three-cornered contest for a term of three years, and has served two years and three months.

RACE SUICIDE NOT PREVALENT IN HAVANA

(By Associated Press.)

HAVANA, March 11.—The wife of a Havana cigar maker, already the mother of fourteen children, gave birth today to quadruplets, two boys and two girls. President Gomez sent his congratulations to the mother as a woman deserving well of the republic.

MISS HELEN G. EMERY TO MARRY JAPANESE

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The engagement of Miss Helen Gladys Emery, daughter of Rev. John Emery, archdeacon of the Episcopal diocese of California, to Gungiro Aoki, son of the late General Aoki, of Japan, has been announced. The prospective bridegroom is in the commission business.

CHANGE DATE OF INAUGURATION MONTH LATER

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Representative Henry of Texas today asked permission from Speaker Cannon to introduce the first measure in the sixty-first congress. His measure is a joint resolution seeking to amend the constitution so as to change the date of inauguration from March 4 to April 3.

MISS CROCKER ASKS POLICE TO HOLD PEARLS

OMAHA (Neb.), March 11.—Miss Jennie Crocker of San Francisco today requested the police to hold the pearl necklace located here last week, which was delivered yesterday to Otto C. Heinze of New York. Miss Crocker lost a pearl necklace February 23, and believes the necklace found here may be her property.

WEST VIRGINIA MAYOR ACCUSED OF CONSPIRACY

(By Associated Press.)

WHEELING (W. Va.), March 11.—Two indictments, one charging perjury and the other criminal conspiracy, were returned against Mayor Frank Chapman of Chester, West Virginia, today. The mayor is accused of a conspiracy in planning the assaults on former chief of Police Benjour of Chester and others several months ago.

RARE SPECTACLE OF DULLNESS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 11.—The perplexities of the room traders were added to by the want of responsiveness in the stock market today to any news in development. Such a spectacle of dullness has been rarely witnessed on the New York stock exchange. Bonds were steady.

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JEFFRIES INVITED TO ARRANGE FIGHT

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 11.—James J. Jeffries today received an invitation from Jack Johnson to meet him in the office of Johnson's attorney in this city to arrange a fight. The note was handed to Jeffries, who refused to comment on it, by an attorney for Johnson as Jeffries appeared in a magistrate's court to answer to a charge of violating the penal code by sparring three exhibition rounds in a theatrical performance last night. The charge against Jeffries was dismissed.

SEVENTH JUROR AGAIN SELECTED IN CALHOUN CASE

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—Joseph E. Clark, a carpenter and contractor, was accepted today subject to a peremptory challenge, as the seventh juror in the case of the people against Patrick Calhoun. Clark was the 575th prospective talesman to be examined by the opposing counsel since the work of securing the jury was commenced nearly sixty days ago.

MANHATTAN HAS A \$25,000 BLAZE

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE TO ADJOURN SOON

(By Associated Press.)

SACRAMENTO, March 11.—The finance committee of the senate agreed tonight to urge the adjournment sine die on March 18, and a resolution to that effect will be introduced tomorrow morning by Frank Leavitt of Alameda, the chairman of the committee. The assembly passed the Wright-Stanton direct primary bill as amended, providing for the election of United States senators by the advisory vote of legislative districts, and J. P. Transue's measure prohibiting the establishment of saloons within three miles of any construction camp.

JOHNSON LEAVES FOR EAST.

(By Associated Press.)

VANCOUVER (B. C., March 11.—Jack Johnson, the champion pugilist, left this afternoon by the Canadian Pacific for Chicago.

PRESIDENT TAFT NOW MEMBER OF OPTIMIST CLUB

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 11.—President Taft said today his would be an optimistic administration to an optimistic country, full of hope, cheerfulness and confidence. The president expressed this sentiment when he became a full-fledged member of the Optimist Club of America on an invitation from the founder, William Robinson of New York. Robinson is an optimist at large, and named Taft a member of the club's executive committee. Andrew Carnegie is the president of the organization.

THE METAL MARKET.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 11.—Silver, 50.375; lead, steady, 3.95 @ 4.00; copper, weak, 12.75 @ 13.00.

Town Saved from Total Destruction Only by the Prompt Work of Citizens

Flames Start in Nevada Hotel and Spread With Rapidity to Adjoining Residences---Damage Estimated at About \$25,000.

(Associated Press.)

MANHATTAN, March 11, 11:30 p. m.—This place had its first serious fire last night. That the camp was not totally destroyed was due to the fact that the wind was blowing to the north. Had its course been in the opposite direction the progress of the fire would have been directly through the main section.

The alarm was sounded shortly after 10 o'clock by a roomer of the Nevada hotel on Erie street, who discovered the rear portion of that building burning fiercely. It was impossible to learn the name of this person, but it is stated that he had just started to retire and on opening the door of his room, which was on the second floor of the building, made the startling discovery that the entire rear portion of the hotel was a mass of flames. The alarm was sounded instantly and in a short time a bucket brigade had been formed, and with this inadequate system the entire population of the placer camp started bravely at work to extinguish the conflagration.

Within a very few minutes the residence of S. E. Vermilyea, which adjoins the hotel on the south, was ablaze. To the north the fire spread to the residences of Mrs. Smith, J. F. Sullivan of Tonopah, and S. P. Santos, which were burned to the ground before the flames were gotten under control. The carpenter shop of Santos was totally destroyed. Nearly all of the furniture of the burned buildings was saved with the exception of that in the Nevada hotel, where over half the furnishings were lost.

The volunteer firemen of Manhattan are deserving of great credit for the manner in which they fought the flames, for time and time again they risked themselves to dangers. That no one was injured is deemed a miracle as the fire fighters would go seemingly into the face of a burning death with their buckets of water in an endeavor to keep the fire confined to as narrow a space as possible.

The Nevada hotel is owned by Mrs. Kathryn Beal of Goldfield and was leased by Mrs. F. L. Wheaton. The total loss is estimated to be in the vicinity of \$25,000, with no insurance. The hotel was valued at over \$8000. The residence of Ernest Hall, manager of the telephone company, was badly scorched and was only saved by the prompt work of several men who with wet blankets kept the building covered until the danger was past.

MANHATTAN, March 12, 1 a. m.—The fire is now under complete control with no further damage than that mentioned in the first message.